



2012 RSL Public Speaking Competition

On Sunday, 28 October, Year 7 students from Bribie Island State School and Banksia Beach State School competed in the annual RSL Public Speaking Competition. Five students from each school presented speeches, on a variety of topics of their choice.

The Bribie Island Team consisted of **Sophie Radley, Jess Blundell, Te Ani Kerr, McKinley Travers and Bella Woodham.**

Speeches were scored by a panel of judges, including experienced Toastmasters. **Bella Woodham** received the highest overall score, placing first, for her moving speech entitled 'Lest We Forget'.

All our students were fantastic and our school is very proud of the excellent job they have done.



Diary Dates:

Parade Times

6th November

Whole School

Parade 2.20pm

Semester 2

Term 4

November

2 Swimming Yrs 4,5,6,7

5 A.A.S.C Tennis

6 2013 Prep Open Day

9am-10am in PY3 & PY4

7 QUT Extreme Science

Van Yr 6

8 Yr 4 Excursion St Helena

Island. Depart school

7.30am return to school

4.00pm

8 Global Care Breakfast

8 Swimming Yrs 1,2,3

8 A.A.S.C Golf

9 Swimming Yrs 4,5,6,7

11 Remembrance Day

11 Chaplaincy Golf Day

12 A.A.S.C Tennis

14 QUT Extreme Science

Van Yr 6

15 Global Care Breakfast

15 Swimming Yrs 1,2,3

15 A.A.S.C Golf

16 2013 Prep Open Day

9am-10am in PY3 & PY4

16 Swimming Yrs 4,5,6,7

17 Lego League competition

19 A.A.S.C Tennis

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22 Swimming Yrs 1,2,3

22 A.A.S.C Golf

23 Swimming Yrs 4,5,6,7

26 A.A.S.C Tennis

29 A.A.S.C Golf

From The Principal's Pentium

Dear Parents and Care Givers,

Each fortnight I begin my newsletter with another celebration of Bribie Island State School. I again celebrate a school success with recognition of **Bella Woodham** who won the local **RSL Public Speaking** competition on Sunday. Mrs Roebuck and her team were very proud of all our team who spoke. I was thrilled by the standard, confidence and resilience of all who spoke. The quality of all the student's presentations was outstanding. Well done to all.

P&C Report

Each month I provide a report to the P&C meeting. In order for all our school to be abreast of this information I include that report in this newsletter. As I talk of each dot point I have provided some elaboration where necessary for detail.

Our last P & C meeting was in the second last week of term three. It seems so long since we sat down together to speak of the school. The two week holiday has interrupted our continued work towards improving all students' educational outcomes, but has definitely revitalised our staff.

In last week's newsletter I proudly celebrated a range of achievements at Bribie Island State School. These various celebrations have come about through an immense level of hard work and effort from so many at the school. Bribie Island State School is achieving and we need to be proud of our efforts.

In NAPLAN the interim report showed continued improvements from last year. This includes the following:

- *In 73% of the assessed areas our students are above National Minimum Standard for year 3, 5 and 7 for Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation and Numeracy.*
- *92% of our assessed areas show sustained (46%) or improved (46%) performance with student's achieving highly in the upper two bands.*
- *75% of our testing over the 15 strands in years 3, 5 and 7 show a relative gain (or improvement over time from 2010 to 2012) above the average of the state.*
- *78% reduction of the gap in indigenous student's performance in year three reading.*
- *Year seven writing was a highlight with our school mean being similar to the national benchmark and above the state benchmark. Our first such result since NAPLAN commenced.*

*Our Year Two **Wakakirri** team have been nominated for a National Sponsorship Award. Recognition and congratulations rightly continue for Mrs Van Damme and Mrs Thornley.*

*Over past weeks teachers at Bribie Island State School have been undertaking training in aspects of the **Art and Science of Teaching (ASOT)**. In the newsletter I shared a simple maths sum which highlights the value of our work in the areas of **Goal Setting** and **Feedback**.*

Goal Setting + Feedback (regular & specific) + Acknowledgement of Success = ENHANCED LEARNING

Our teachers are working towards:

1. Writing whole class goals.
2. Developing individual or group goals for students. (Reading is our current school focus)
3. Writing a scale for the goals.
4. Providing formative assessment. (Giving feedback and leading students in recording their progress.)

Over time we are looking at developing a school-wide culture and language around ASOT and the depth of sharing and reflection of practice this will bring will further scaffold the improvement of student outcomes. Please contact myself or our leader of this project - Mrs Roebuck should you require more information.

More General Information

Staffroom For Improvement - Link: <http://www.staffroomforimprovement.com.au/>

The Staffroom for Improvement competition is all about allowing students, mums and dads, family members and the broader school community to show our Queensland teachers just how much we care about them.

It's easy to participate in Staffroom for Improvement! When you do, not only will you have the satisfaction of supporting your school – you'll also have the chance to win prizes like an Apple iPad and iTunes gift cards. Start by registering your details. Once you're signed up, you will receive an email to verify the information you provided. Just click the link in the email and you'll be on your way!

You can visit this website each day, and click on The Big Red Button to support your school. The first time you visit, your click will give one apple to your teachers. Your second visit and click will count as two apples. Your third visit and click will give... (can you guess?!) ...three beautiful juicy apples to your teachers. From there, the sky's the limit! Come back each day and watch your apple giving power increase. We know your teachers will really appreciate your effort!

School Resource Levy

Those parents who have opted to participate in the school resources levy scheme by making on-going payments are strongly urged to complete **all payments by the end of this month** so we may look to finalising all accounts by the end of the school year.

Have a great fortnight.



Paul Pickering
Principal

**Please see newsletter insert for,
What has happened at Bribie Island State School?**

From the Deputy Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week 4 Term 4. Bribie Island State School will be involved in and will be hosting many exciting events during the remainder of the term.

Congratulations to all of our Yr 7 girls who put on such an impressive performance at the RSL Public Speaking competition last Sunday. The standard of speeches was truly amazing. All girls should be extremely proud of how they presented their speeches on the day. A huge congratulations to Bella on being awarded first place – she certainly gave a very moving and dynamic speech.

Swimming lessons for all Year 1 to 7 classes continue to run smoothly. Our students are progressing well with lessons and certainly appear to be enjoying the time in the pool. Thank you for enabling your child to take part in this aspect of their curriculum studies for Physical Education. If you have any concerns regarding the swimming program please discuss this with your child's teacher.

Our Beach Safety lessons were well received by all students. I'm sure that you would see the importance of learning about water safety particularly as we live on the best island in our country!!

Our Prep enrolment sessions were well attended. Please encourage friends to make an appointment time to enrol if they haven't done so already. By having as many students enrolled before the end of the year, enables us to organise our staffing, classes and classrooms before the end of this school year. This gives us a very smooth start to 2013. Also if you are aware that you will be leaving our school please let our office staff know so that we can take into account those changes as well.

We will be holding our open days for our new Prep students on **Tuesday 6 November, Friday 16 November, Tuesday 20 November** and **Friday 30 November**. All sessions will be from **9:00 to 10:00 in our Prep 3 and 4 classrooms**. Please try to come to as many sessions as you can. We would love to see you there and have the opportunity to spend time with your child.

Our Pre-Prep playgroup is going well. This playgroup is held every Tuesday morning at our hall. Please join us if you have pre-prep children.

Please remember to keep all medical information and contact details up to date for our students. Recently we have been unsuccessful in being able to contact some families when their child has been unwell or in an emergency. We always like to be able to inform families in these circumstances and to seek their advice about the best treatment for their child. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Year 7 Awards night will be held on **Thursday 6 December**. This night is one way to formally celebrate the achievements of our year 7 students before they continue their learning journey to high school next year. This is always a very exciting night for our students, their families and staff and we invite all parents / carers to attend.

A reminder that the Spirit of Bribie Awards ceremonies will be held on **Monday 10 December** for all classes. Further details will be sent home in the future. Students who have demonstrated excellent commitment to upholding the Spirit of Bribie through their behaviour this Semester will receive the award. We hope that you will be able to join us for this celebration.

A group of Year 6 students have been selected to compete in the first Lego League competition on the Saturday, 17 November with Ms Pearce. These students have been not only working extremely hard but also enjoying completing their robotics Lego challenges in preparation for the event. We wish them well in their preparations.

The RSL Remembrance Day Ceremony will be held at the RSL as usual this year on the **11th November**. It would be great to see as many families as possible there in support. Following this service, our school will also be supporting our Chaplain by having staff and families attend the Chaplaincy Golf Day being held at Pacific Harbour. Our school community continues to support our Chaplaincy service and our Chaplain Mr Ken Piva. Our P&C have recently endorsed their support for this wonderful program and will see it continue into 2013. Ken works hard not only supporting our school community but also supporting our wider Bribie Community. Details of the programs that our Chaplain provides are outlined below:

- Weekly woodwork program delivered to a group of students from Grades 4-7.
- Drawing group – this occurs on a daily basis at both lunch breaks for students from P-7.
- Gardening – this occurs on a weekly basis with a Yr 4 class.
- Sewing – this occurs on a weekly basis with a group of Yr 7 girls.
- Mechanical program with year 7s.
- Assistance to families new to the school.
- Family support when needed.
- Supporting our P&C with fundraising activities.
- Weekly meetings with the Student Support Team to discuss programs for student support and evaluate effectiveness of programs being implemented.
- Class visits - daily check-ins or supporting children in the class with settling and completing tasks.

Have a great two weeks.

Warm regards



Jayn Hutchinson
Deputy Principal

2012 Public Speaking Proud Parents



P & C REPORT

Hi Everyone,

The P&C Committee would like to say THANKYOU to the School Community for the support they have shown with P&C events.

At our monthly P&C Committee meeting we have been able to donate \$8000 towards READING BOOKS and \$1500 Prep 2013 Lets Read Program.

Volunteers Required for the Family Fun Day to be a success.

The Tuckshop has a range of Dairy Free items for children. Please speak to the convenors if you require more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

*P&C and MR P's Sausage Sizzle - Every Friday \$2

*17th November - Family Fun Day Saturday 9am - 1pm

*29th November - Christmas Disco

*29th November - TRAMPOLINE RAFFLE DRAWN - at Disco - Tickets available from Parent Room

*Paul's Collector Caps - Kids keep collecting - Subway Party for the Class that collects the most Caps

The P & C Committee needs your HELP, we are in need of a New Vice President and New Co-Vice President, for a nomination form see Leisa, Carolyn, or Mary in the Parent Room.

Thank you

Leisa Hudson-Bradby
P&C President

UNIFORM SHOP

Monday - Thursday:

8.30am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Friday: 8.30am - 9.30am

TERM 4 SPECIAL OFFER

Buy a POLO SHIRT and SHORTS together or a POLO SHIRT and SKORTS together and Receive a COMPLIMENTARY HAT.

For any inquiries regarding UNIFORMS please call into the PARENT ROOM or Contact Leisa, Mary or Carolyn on 34002308.

Student Banking

Student Banking Day - every Wednesday
9.30am - 10.30am

Any enquiries contact our School Banking Coordinator,
MARY TURNER, between 9.30am and 10.30am.
WEDNESDAYS at the PARENT ROOM Ph 3400 2308.

Pre-Prep Playgroup

Every **Tuesday** morning throughout the term, a group of excited parents run a Pre Prep Playgroup from **9.00am to 10.30am** in our school hall. Children enjoy an array of activities including painting, imaginary play, playdough, home corner, puzzles and fine motor activities. We would like to kindly thank the Caboolture Early Years Centre for their ongoing support and for providing the group with a number of fantastic new resources. If you would like any more information regarding our playgroup please contact **Allison Lutton** on **3400 2333**. New members are always welcome.



2013 UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Wednesday 23rd January 9am - 12pm

Thursday 24th January 9am - 12pm

Friday 25th January 9am - 12pm

School Resumes 29th January

Tuesday 29th January 8.15am - 12pm

Wednesday 30th January 8.15am - 12pm

Thursday 31st January 8.15am - 12pm

Friday 1st February 8.15am - 12pm

BUSY FINGERS

Donations are needed at Busy Fingers. Please donate any household furniture or second hand clothes to Busy Fingers. All furniture can be picked up for free from your home. Please contact Busy fingers on 3408 1014 to arrange your pick up.

Busy fingers are located at: **38 Cotterill Ave, Bongaree.**

Open from 8.30am—3pm Monday– Friday

Saturday's 8am—12pm

Student Absence Line: 3400 2366 (24 hours a day)

Bribie Blitz

Our blitz for the next fortnight will be

PLAY TIME

- Wear your hat.
- Play in the right areas.
- Stay away from out of bounds.
- Walk quietly to class when the bell rings.



Be Respectful Be Safe Be an Active Learner

LOST CHILDRENS READING GLASSES



Our office has pairs of reading glasses that have been handed in.

If your child has misplaced their glasses, please come into the office. Office hours are between 8.30am—3.30pm

School Resource Levy

Thank you to all our families that have made their complete payment for the school consumables. Those parents who have opted to participate in the school resources levy scheme by making on-going payments are strongly urged to complete **all payments by the end of this month** so we may look to finalising all accounts by the end of the school year.

Thank you

Donations for Mr P. - Black school shoes

Do you have any pre loved black school shoes still in good condition?

Mr P, our school Chaplain, is asking for donations of all sizes of black school shoes to help keep his supply of pre loved shoes going. If you can help Mr P in donating black school shoes he would be very grateful.

Global Care Breakfast Program

Global Care is an organisation which successfully Provides a healthy breakfast meal for free for our students every **Thursday morning from 8am-8.50am** in the hall.

Apps for Education



[Queensland schools App](#)



[Take a Stand](#)



[Out and About App](#)

Attendance Awards



School Attendance Awards

Regular attendance at school is essential to students achieving their

full potential. Bribie Island State School is committed to promoting the attendance of all students. **Attendance awards** have been introduced this term to celebrate the classes with the highest attendance and the most improved attendance each fortnight. Classes will be presented with attendance trophies at each parade. Individual students who achieve a 95% attendance rate during the term will go in the draw for a \$100 toy voucher.

The winning class for week 2 & 3 for best attendance goes to

3B

CONGRATULATIONS!!

The winning class for week 2 & 3 for the **Most Improved** attendance goes to

Attendance Awards



3A

Well done!!

Attendance Awards



Tidy Turtle Award

The first impression made by our school is the grounds. We are working together as a school to cut down on the amount of litter we see lying around. Each class is responsible for looking after a small area in the school and ensuring it is rubbish free.

The Tidy Turtle will be awarded on parade for classes that score highly for their area. We are currently running a colouring in competition for Prep to Year 2 and a poster competition for Years 2-7 to promote awareness of the new award and to encourage the cleanliness of our school grounds.

The winning class for weeks 2 & 3 is

PREP 1

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK



What has happened at Bribie Island State School?

- School Enrolment now 661 – tremendous growth – up 33 from 628 at Day 8.
- Bribie Island Academy Day held at State High with 20 Bribie Island school students attending. Thank you Ms Pearce.
- School twitter page has 44 followers and growing. Follow us.
- Professional Development continues for all staff. The first four days of 2013 22 – 25 January will include work in areas of: Interactive Whiteboard, ASOT – Pedagogical Framework, Planning, Data Analysis, First Aid, Mandated Training Areas.).
- Global Care Breakfasts continue each Thursday morning.
- Thursday afternoon upper grades extension activities continue.
- Whole School Assemblies fortnightly well attended.
- Bribie's Got Talent a tremendous event. Thanks Mrs Woodham.
- Bus Behaviour – “Best on Bus’ and ‘Best Bus Group’ continue. Some success occurring.
- Tidy Turtle and Attendance Awards continue. If only we can keep lids shut and birds out of bins.
- Student Leaders public speeches held last week. Elections in week six.
- ASOT – Art and Science of Teaching – Pedagogical Framework – roll out continues.
- Web Page update went live. Have you checked it out?
- Work on 2012 School Magazine all but finished. Orders now being taken \$12.00.
- Review of ICT improvements – Bandwidth and data capacity improvements - \$5,000.00 recurrent cost to school.
- AFL Auskick – after school sessions have commenced.
- Denise and Bruce Morcombe visited assembly. What a tremendous and moving event.
- Beach Safety Talks held in school. So important as an Island community.
- ICT Directions – Net Books for library, purchasing of new PC's for general school use and iPads (donated) for SWD and HIVE.
- School Swimming has commenced – Issue with unavailability of instructors interrupted program last week. Now rectified.
- Principal attended APPA National conference. Key information around – Federal Government Agenda and Gonski, Australia's Place in Asia, Finland's Educational Excellence, Globalised Educational Thinking, Learnings from High Performing Countries, Equitable Educational Reforms, Transforming Teaching in All Schools - Shaping Classrooms for Contemporary Children.
- QUT Science Van visited Year 5.
- Year 1s went to Science Centre 18th September.

What is to happen at Bribie Island State School?

- World Teacher's Day this Friday. Thank you to all who teach.
- RSL Public Speaking competition this Sunday at RSL 12:00noon. Bella and team performed wonderfully.
- Student Leaders 2013 voting in week six. Announced on parade week seven.
- Principal at QASSP meetings Thursday 25th and Friday 26th October. Work on advocacy for improving primary education
- Prep Parent Enrolment Evening 30th October 5:00pm.
- Prep Beachfront walk 30th October.
- School-wide PAT Testing to measure growth.
- Remembrance Day ceremony at RSL 11th November.
- BIKES Golf Day for Chaplaincy on 11th November. Come along. Make a team and support Mr Piva's essential work for our students and families.
- Review of awards and recognition activities, criteria and timelines is underway.
- St Helena Island Excursion – Rescheduled now 8th November.
- Lego League Tournament Saturday 17th November. Thanks MS Pearce.
- Student Report Cards to go out 12th December
- 2013 class allocations shared with parents on 13th December
- Last Day of Term Four is Friday 14th December
- Next P & C Meeting Wednesday 21st November
- **Financial Report:**
- School accounts balance at 24th October: \$141,110.00
- Overview of major areas of tied funds:
- \$25,167.93 Equipment Replacement (Provisions \$19,530.00 + Equipment Replacement \$5,637.93)
- \$14,723.74 Trading Accounts
- \$26,943.00 Facilities – Cleaning, grounds, maintenance and security
- \$14,915.17 Literacy and Numeracy Projects
- \$ 6,161.65 Wages – AAEP and Schools Officer
- \$32,324.07 Utilities
- Copy of BOR presented
- **Items for Discussion included:**
- Year Seven Graduation – P&C supporting meal costs and providing graduates with pen.
- P&C providing some financial support for welfare activities for our students.
- P&C to sponsor BIKES event through hole sponsorship.
- P&C to provide \$8,000.00 to school for new readers.
- School to move into Flexi Tuckshop system for on-line tuckshop and uniform ordering.
- Sub-committee to be set up.
- Some parent room refurbishments to occur.
- Chaplaincy motion supported:
The Bribie Island State School Parents and Citizens Association supports the Chaplaincy Service in the school, and wishes to continue to utilise NSCSWP funding to employ a School Chaplain for 2013.